Indian institute or Family Planning and Management

1994. SHRI MANOJ BHATTACHARYA: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that the Indian Institute of Family Planning and Management invites applications for admission to the Institute for the "MBA" and "BBA" degrees;

(b) if so, whether it is officially recognized by Government as a 'deemed university" and has been accorded the permission to confer degrees;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) if not, the precise status of the Institute and the action taken/ proposed to be taken to warn the public against such institutes?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI MD. ALIASHRAF FATMI): (a) to (d) The Indian Institute of Family Planning and Management is neither approved by the All India Council for Technical Education (AICTE) nor is a deemed university. For Public awareness/information of students, a list of approved Technical Institutions has been made available in the website of AICTE (www.aicte.ernet.in) which is in addition to printed directories. In order to protect the public from the menace of unapproved Universities/ Technical Institutions, University Grants Commission (UGC) and AICTE publish notices, from time to time, in leading newspapers cautioning all concerned to check the approval status of Universities and Technical Institutions.

Recognition to schools

†1995. SHRI PYARELAL KHANDELWAL : Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the number of applications pending with the Board seeking for recognition of schools;

(b) whether Government would consider any alternative procedure for recognition of high schools, which is transparent and simple; and

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(c) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI MD. ALI ASHRAF FATMI): (a) As per the information received from Central Board of Secondary Education (CBSE), there are 180 applications pending for affiliation out of the 1016 applications received for the academic year 2004-05. In Council for the Indian School Certificate Examinations (CISCE) the number of pending applications for affiliation is 76.

(b) and (c) All affiliation cases received in the Boards are processed as per the provision of their Affiliation bye-laws. These provisions have been made simpler and transparent over a period of time.

Drop-out-children

†1996. SHRI JIBON ROY: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the number of drop-out children after primary and secondary education during 1998—2003, year and State-wise;

(b) whether any survey has been conducted to identify the reasons for such drop-out; and

(c) if so, the findings thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI MD. ALI ASHRAF FATMI): (a) The details of the estimated number of the drop-out children from general education after the primary and secondary education, State-wise, in recognized schools, in India, during 1998-99 to 2002-03, are given in the Statement (See below).

(b) and (c) As per the National-Family Health Survey-ll conducted in 1998-99, the main reasons for students dropping out after enrolling are: children not interested in studies, the private cost of education being too high and the need for them to work—both in their own farms/business/ households or outside for remuneration. These reasons account for almost 75% of the cases of the drop-outs.

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